

#### Dear Candidate:

By seeking public office, you have demonstrated your commitment to Austin's vision of being the most livable city in the country. Austinites value a community that is clean and green. To that end, we ask you to ensure that your campaign follows the City Code regarding placement of signs and encourages recycling of your campaign signs after the election.

# Sign Ordinance (City Code Section 25-10-103)

We recognize that placement of your signs is important. However, the City does have a sign ordinance that regulates all signs, including political campaign signs. Please share the following sign standards with your campaign staff and supporters:

### Campaign signs **cannot**:

- Be attached to utility poles, traffic control boxes, light poles, or traffic sign poles and cannot be placed on Public property.
- Be placed in the median, at intersection corners, or on traffic islands.
- Be placed between the street and the first expansion joint in a driveway, the street and the sidewalk, or the street and the utility poles.
- Extend over the Right-of-Way.

Please see the enclosed flyer *Facts About Illegal ROW Signs* for more detailed information and diagrams. Signs unlawfully placed in the public right-of-way will be removed by Code Compliance staff and recycled appropriately. If you have any questions concerning sign restrictions, please contact Matthew Christianson, Code Compliance Division Manager, at 974-6470.

#### Make Sure Your Signs Can Be Recycled

To ensure that your signs are eligible to be recycled, please share the following information with your sign shop when you have your signs printed:

- All sizes and colors of polypropylene Coroplast™ signs will be accepted
- Signs must not have any vinyl lettering or vinyl overlays

## Free Recycling of Campaign Signs

After the election, we encourage you to have your campaign staff to collect and recycle your signs for free! Austin Resource Recovery coordinated with the City's contracted recycling partners, Texas Disposal Systems and Balcones Resources, to offer free recycling of campaign signs. Please see the enclosed flyer *Campaign Sign Recycling* for details.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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